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Application No. **NEW NATIONAL PHASE** Group

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POWDERED MATERIAL, METHOD OF MANUFACTURING IT, RAW COMPACT OF THE
POWDERED MATERIAL AND DEVICE FOR THE POWDERED MATERIAL

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

The following preliminary amendments and remarks are
respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified
application.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing
of claims which begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 7 of this paper.